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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING AND RENDERING OBJECT ORIENTED NEUTRAL IMAGE DATA**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary Amendment

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter following amendments and remarks prior to the Examiner's initial examination.

In the Claims

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Amended) A system for processing object oriented image data, comprising:

a first parser circuit to parse the object oriented image data into non-neutral image data and neutral image data;

a second parser circuit to parse the neutral image data into black image data, grey image data, and white image data; and

a neutral color processing circuit to process only the black image data, grey image data, and the white image data.